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Economic Requirements for OCI Periodic Requirements List for the
Months, 1 December 1957 - 31 March 1958

Argentina (p. 1-4)

Item 9 - Add: with respect to CAPI, request for information on
reported financial difficulties and on membership
dissatisfaction with the organization; also infor-
mation on Bloc deliveries of inferior or unsatisfactory
goods and equipment. (C)

Item 10 - Retain

Item 12 - Retain

Item 14 - Retain

Item 15 - Retain

In addition information is requested on (1) the number of Bloc
technicians in Argentina, their location and the projects on which they
are working, (2) offers of credit for economic development and the
attitude of Government officials toward these offers, specifically, what
is the status of the Hungarian offer of credit to finance importation of
rail equipment. (S)

Bolivia (p. 5-7)

Item 7 - Retain

Item 8 - Retain

Item 9 - Retain

Item 10 - Retain

Item 11 - Retain

Item 12 - Retain

In addition information is requested on recent Polish efforts to
establish economic relations between Poland and Bolivia. (C)

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Brazil (p. 9-19)

Item 2 - Retain

Item 4a - Retain

b - Retain

c - Add, request for information concerning Brazilian acceptance or possible acceptance of the Polish offer of \$10.3 million for the purchase of rails? (OUO)

d - Retain

e - Retain

f - Usiminas Steel Plant is to be developed by joint Japanese and Brazilian interests. However, there have been new offers recently made by Poland to build plants, rail, and port facilities in connection with Minas Gerais iron ore exploitation and more information concerning the nature of these offers and the Brazilian reaction is desired. Continued information on all Bloc technicians in Brazil is desired. This should include the length of their stay, their location and the projects on which they are working. (OUO)

g - Retain

h - Retain

i - Add request for information on negotiations for new trade and payments agreements with Poland and Czechoslovakia. (C)

j - Retain

k - Retain

l - Retain

m - Retain

n - Retain

o - Retain

p - Retain

q - There seems little doubt that some of the Polish offers have been accepted and contracts have been signed. Information is desired on the exact number of ships that have been contracted for and the exact terms of the transaction. (C)

r - Add item s - Since the accumulation of surpluses of coffee during 1957, there have been reports of growing interest in Brazil in barter deals with Bloc countries to exchange coffee for Bloc goods. More information on the extent of this interest and reaction of Bloc countries to it is desired. There have also been reports that the Chinese Trade Mission desired to initiate purchases of large amounts of Brazilian sugar. Further information on this possibility is desired. (C)

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Brazil (Continued)

- t - Add item t - Information is desired on possible Czech interest in industrial development in Rio Grande do Sul and USSR interest in land developments in North Eastern Brazil which may involve investment in the neighborhood of \$100 million. (S)

Chile (pp. 25-26)

- Item 5 - Retain
- Item 6 - Retain

Colombia (pp. 27-28)

- Item 6 - Retain

Costa Rica (pp. 29-31)

- Item 5 - Retain

Cuba (pp. 33-39)

- Item 6 e and k - Retain

Dominican Republic (pp. 41-43)

- Item 3 e - Retain

Ecuador (pp. 45-49)

- Item 4 - Retain

El Salvador (pp. 51-53)

- Item 4 - Retain

French West Indies-French Guiana (pp. 55-56)

- Item d - Retain

Guatemala (pp. 57-58)

- Item 5 - Retain

Haiti (pp. 59-60)

- Item 3 e - Retain

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Honduras (pp. 61-63)

Item 4 - Retain

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(pp. 65-70)

Item 7 -

Nicaragua (pp. 73-75)

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Item 5 - Retain

Paraguay (pp. 81-84)

Item 8 - Retain

Peru (pp. 85-87)

Item 20 - Retain

Uruguay (pp. 91-99)

- Item 4 - It should be pointed out in the background paragraph that the payment agreements between Uruguay and the Bloc were between the Central Bank of Uruguay and state agencies of the Bloc countries involved and were not inter government trade and payments agreements. In the case of Czechoslovakia, however, the inter government trade and payments agreement reached in 1955 has now been fully ratified. Information should be requested on the status of the inter-bank payments agreement with Communist China. (C)
- a - Retain
 - b - Retain
 - c - Retain
 - d - Retain
 - e - The Czechoslovak agreement required ratification because it was an inter government agreement while those with other countries were nearly bank agreements. (C)
 - g - Retain
 - h - Retain
 - i - Retain
 - j - Retain
 - l - Retain

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Uruguay (Continued)

m - Retain
p - Retain
q - Retain

Add to item 4 request for information on (1) efforts of the USSR to penetrate the Uruguayan cotton market, specifically, has the USSR continued to sell cotton at competitive or at less than market prices?, (2) information of USSR purchases of wool, hides, and meat from Uruguay, (3) information on efforts of Czechoslovakian agency FEROMET to dominate the Uruguayan steel market, and (4) the attitude of Uruguayans toward Bloc goods (there have been reports of dissatisfaction with Czech hard steel products and with some Czech deliveries of industrial installations.)
(S)

Venezuela (pp. 101-103)

Item 12 - Retain
Item 13 - Retain

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